

BRYAN FOR PURITY IN BUSINESS LIFE

Addresses Lincoln Merchants on the Subject.

POLITICAL REPORTS CHEER

He Finds Encouragement Particularly in Popular Move Toward Making Up Campaign Fund—Declares Democratic Platform the Best that Has Been Offered.

Lincoln, Neb., July 22.—Mr. Bryan spoke this afternoon to an audience of several thousand persons at the annual picnic of the grocers and butchers of Lincoln. He made no reference to politics. He said, in part:

"There never was a time when absolute honesty in business was more important than now, and if a man is going to succeed permanently in merchandising he must establish a reputation, and he must have a character back of that reputation. "This is a very busy age, and this is the busiest country that there is on earth. It is well for people to take a day off occasionally and rest; well for them to learn that there is something more in life than the mere accumulation of money. There is another reason. We do not know each other well enough, and most of the misunderstandings that worry us, that disturb society, grow out of the fact that we are not acquainted with each other.

People Should Mingle.
"If the people of all sections could mingle more; if the people of all occupations could know each other better; if the people would meet and learn of their neighbors; if they would discuss the great questions in which they are interested, they would find that there is no bad feeling, no difference in forms of worship, however much we differ in political creed, in the great essentials that control life, we are alike and we are one.

Mr. Bryan's only political speech of the day was delivered to the State Democratic committee this afternoon. He said, in part:

"The reports that we get from the country are very encouraging, and one of them, I think, especially deserves notice. The promptness with which our Democratic papers are taking up the subject of subscriptions to the campaign fund.

Response to Publicity.

"I believe that it is going to be quite generally followed. This is probably the response to the party's position in regard to publicity concerning campaign contributions, and it verifies the hope of those who believe that if the party threw itself upon the confidence of the masses of the people, if the party announced its determination to rely for its success of war upon contributions that would come from the body of the population, and receive no contributions that could not be made public, that confidence would be reciprocated, and the party would be successful. When the voters take upon themselves the burden of furnishing campaign contributions, the voters will have an interest in the government that they have not had heretofore.

Country's Best Platform.

"The issues have been presented in the platform, and I have been getting letters from all parts of the country, expressing approval of that platform. I believe that it is the best platform that this country has known for generations, that it especially sets forth the party's position. There is no trimming, there is no hedging, there is no dodging; it is a frank, candid platform, and the impression that it has made is a most favorable one.

"The Republicans are already in retreat on one subject. They turned down the plank in regard to publicity of campaign contributions. They turned it down in their convention by an overwhelming majority, and as soon as the Democratic party acted they felt it necessary to act. They have been moving very rapidly so far, and I am not prepared to tell you what they may do next."

Resigns as Committee Head.

T. S. Allen, Mr. Bryan's brother-in-law, who has been State chairman for three years, resigned tonight, but was induced to remain till the committee reorganization, after the direct primaries in September. Allen is a practical politician, and his actions, especially in connection with the receipt of the Ryan contribution, four years ago, under Bryan's knowledge, have greatly weakened Bryan here at home. It is understood his resignation followed an expression of Bryan's wishes.

It is now expected that the ceremony of nominating William J. Bryan of his nomination for President of the United States will take place on the State Capitol grounds.

Mr. Bryan declined today to comment on the Standard Oil rebate decision.

REJECTED MAN SHOOT.

New York Stenographer Wounds Girl and Kills Self.

New York, July 22.—The Fort Lowry Hotel, at the foot of Fifteenth street, Bath Beach, one of the largest seaside hotels in the neighborhood of the city, was stirred to-night when John J. Hannan, a court stenographer, shot and dangerously wounded Augusta Wald, member of a well-known musical family in Bath Beach; also wounded August Nanz, who was in the girl's company, and then killed himself.

The shooting took place on the veranda of the hotel overlooking Gravesend Bay, and was witnessed by a hundred or more guests.

The guests became so frightened that the proprietor of the Fort Lowry, Mary L. Richardson, called on the Bath Beach police station for assistance. Lieut. Finn hurried over with the reserves.

Augusta Wald is sixteen years old, and the daughter of August Wald of 129 Twenty-second street, Bath Beach. She has been spending the summer at the hotel with her father and mother and sister Lavinia.

SAVED FROM BURNING HOTEL.

Guests of Wilmington Hostelry Carried Down Ladders by Firemen.

Wilmington, Del., July 22.—Fire in the Lafayette Hotel, at Seventh and Shipley streets, early this morning, came near costing the lives of several guests.

The blaze started about 3:30 o'clock in the hotel store room and spread so quickly that when the occupants of the hotel were awakened they found the only avenue of escape for them was closed. Their cries for help could be heard for a block and a chance passerby sent in an alarm.

Fire truck No. 3 was the first to arrive on the scene, and with the aid of ladders the occupants of the burning building were rescued. There was a report that two persons had perished in the flames, but this was unfounded.

The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss will reach about \$2,500.

PRINCIPALS IN HACKENSACK MYSTERY.



MRS. OTILIE EBERHARD. PHOTO BY STEPHEN. Woman who was murdered near Hackensack, N. J., and her nephew, for whom the police are searching.

New York, July 22.—Although detectives searching for a New York and New Jersey following every clue, no trace was discovered of August Eberhard, the young grocer's clerk who was with his aunt, Mrs. Otilie Eberhard, and her daughter, his fiancée, when the former was murdered and the latter wounded near Hackensack, N. J., on Saturday night.

In the woods near Uniontown, a hamlet a short distance east of Hastings, N. Y., the police arrested a man who bears a resemblance to the missing man.

When he was charged with being Eberhard he said that his name was Herman Eberhard Zimmerman, and that he was a grocer's clerk. He declared he lived on Staten Island. Later he said his name was Bolinski and that he was a member of the Alaska baseball team there.

He was taken to Dobbs Ferry and closely cross-examined by Postmaster Burns, who found he had a fifty-dollar bill, a twenty-dollar bill and a two-dollar bill. He asked to be shown the evening newspapers, and he read the story of the Eberhard murder for the first time. Then he dropped the newspapers and refused to say anything more about himself.

Authorities of Bergen County have dismissed all theories that more than one person was concerned in the crime, and are convinced that in the arrest of young Eberhard the entire matter will be cleared away.

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WOMAN PICKPOCKET IS 87

Aged "Mary" Sentenced to Spend 865 Days in Jail.

Fine Is \$500, and She Cannot Raise the Money—Arrested in Washington.

New York, July 22.—An old woman, bent and feeble, shuffled up to the rail in Part I of General Sessions to-day and got a smile of recognition from Capt. Bob Long, before whom many famous criminals have passed.

"Back again, Mary," was Capt. Bob's greeting.

"What for?" asked Capt. Bob.

"Same old thing," said Mary. "My hands tremble now," and she laid one shaking on the rail.

The same old thing was picking pockets. Mary has been a pickpocket for so long that she has forgotten when she began.

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PRETTY GIRL LURED TO DEATH IN PARK

Well Dressed Victim Found in Park Building.

IS NO TRACE OF REVOLVER

Police Convinced that Unidentified Woman Is Victim of Murderer. Williamsburg Tragedy Shrouded in Mystery—No Explanation How Woman Got Into Summer House.

New York, July 22.—A well-dressed, good-looking woman was found dead this morning in a summer-house in Irving Park, Williamsburg, with a bullet wound in the middle of her forehead. A search of the shelter where she was found and of the park surrounding it gave no trace of the revolver with which the shot was fired.

The police have come to the conclusion that the young woman was lured there and murdered. There has been nothing found which would in any way identify the woman, and the whole case is completely shrouded in mystery. There is no explanation of how the house, which was locked last night by John McMahon, a park attendant, came to be open, how the woman got there, or what became of the revolver which killed her.

The summer-house where the woman was found is in the center of Irving Park, which is in the Ridgewood section of Williamsburg. Most of the house is used as a shelter, but the part where the woman was found is used as a storehouse for tools and lumber which the park workmen use. It was locked last night by McMahon, and how it came to be unlocked is one of the mysteries of the case. The doors of the other parts of the building were securely fastened when the police arrived.

Policeman on Post.

Policeman Rudolph Koehler, of the Hamburg avenue station, was on post at Weirfield street and Hamburg avenue this morning at 1:30 o'clock, when he heard a revolver shot, which evidently came from the direction of the park. He began a search through the park, looking through all the shrubbery, but could find nothing until he got to the summer house. The door of the lumber and tool room was unlocked and he went in. In the darkness of the room he distinguished a dark form on the floor. He started to light matches and look around. The shadow on the floor, he found, was the body of a young woman.

She was about twenty-four years old, 5 feet 6 inches tall, and had dark brown hair and hazel eyes. She was very well dressed. Her skirt was black mohair and she wore a waist of white lace. She had on tan shoes and black stockings, and her underclothing was of excellent quality. Beside the woman was a silver-handled umbrella, which had been placed in a Sixth avenue department store. The one unusual thing about her dress was that she had worn no hat. The police were inclined to believe from this fact that the woman lived in the neighborhood of the park.

Bullet Wound in Head.

The cause of the woman's death was plain to see, for blood was coming from a bullet wound in the middle of her forehead. Koehler notified the Hamburg avenue police station and then went back to see what sort of a revolver had been used. He could not find the weapon in the house and began a search through the park. There, too, his efforts were unavailing, and when the detectives came from the station they decided that a murder had been committed.

They were doubly sure when Dr. Fuld, of the German Hospital, arrived. He said that death had been instantaneous. The woman could not have thrown the revolver away if she had committed suicide, and if she had shot herself outside